

COBURN SPEAKS TO BIG AUDIENCE

Last Day's Sessions of Farmers' Institute Show Best Attendance of All.

PROFITABLE TO DELEGATES

Commissioner Vreeland awarded the premiums this morning for the corn and tobacco exhibits as follows:

Tobacco—John McKeage, Woodville, mixed tobacco, first premium; W. H. Woods, Bayou, Livingston, African long leaf, first.

Corn—A. M. McGrew, Livingston, Boone white, first; G. N. McGrew, Livingston, Boone white, second; Robert and Charles Bower, McCracken, white corn, first; F. M. Watkins, Mickman, white corn, second; G. M. McGrew, Livingston, yellow corn, first; G. M. Spitzer, R. R. No. 3, yellow corn, second.

The first premium for tobacco was \$8.00. For corn the first premium was \$4.00; second premium, \$2.00.

Before the largest audience of the Institute F. D. Coburn, of Topeka, Kansas, secretary of the Kansas state board of agriculture, talked for more than an hour this morning at the city hall on the subject of "Alfalfa."

Mr. Coburn's address was the only one in the morning session. This afternoon, the last session of the institute is being held at the city hall. Prof. R. M. Allen of the experiment station at Lexington, Ky., is speaking on the subject of "Dairying in Kentucky." J. G. Hooper and E. S. Good also will speak.

Coburn's Speech.
In the first address he has made in Kentucky, Mr. F. D. Coburn handled the subject of "Alfalfa" on which he has achieved considerable reputation, before an attentive audience this morning. His talk, for so he pleased to name his address, was not an oration, but a plain statement of facts about alfalfa, and what it meant to other states as a serious crop. He did not state positively what alfalfa would do in Kentucky. He merely stated facts and allowed his audience to draw conclusions.

It was evident that he thought alfalfa is a crop that will increase the wealth of the state. He said the farmer who travels the single road of tobacco or wheat or any exclusive crop, is headed and will arrive at the poor house. Our land cannot stand continuous use with one crop. As a remedy for that fact he said that alfalfa beyond a doubt had been a most successful renovator of the soil in his state and other states with which he is familiar. Alfalfa is one of the few crops which do not take nitrogen from the soil—one of the vital constituents of the soil for tobacco, corn or wheat. On the other hand it actually brings nitrogen in a large degree to the soil. Its roots by going deep into the soil, sometimes twenty-five feet, get nourishment which other plants cannot reach. Then these roots open the way for rain, fertilizers and other beneficial things to get into the soil.

Alfalfa is the finest forage crop. The yields are larger from three to five cuttings in one season, and it contains a larger amount of protein than any other grass. Protein is the element which makes the fat and milk. Alfalfa will grow anywhere that the soil is not wet, and the richer it is and the better the condition, the more will be the results. It is a crop which requires much attention and above all, the farmer should not become discouraged with the first, second or third year's success. One acre of alfalfa contains as much food value for cattle as three of red clover or nine of timothy.

He had with him and showed to the audience, a sample of alfalfa and alfalfa seed. It was the fifth cutting this year and he asked if that would not make their cows' mouths water. The leaves, he said, are as rich as wheat bran, but they must be harvested and handled carefully to be saved. "Sons of Rest" could not raise alfalfa. Nor could "Fugitives from Labor." It should be sown on freshly plowed ground. Be careful to get good seed, get them tested at the state experiment station free, and get seeds grown in the same latitude as this end of the state.

From 15 to 20 pounds of seed should be used to the acre. It is a delicate plant when it first comes up and for the first year or two should be attended to carefully. It would be well to precede it by a crop of potatoes. Frequent mowing is helpful and the liberal use of the disc harrow is advised. The crops are close together and it should be cut as soon as it begins to bloom. The sun is not, he said, the best thing to use too freely in curing any kind of forage. And it can do a lot of damage to alfalfa. It should be gotten under cover immediately after curing and those animals which chew the cud, will be injured if they graze on the uncured fields. It is a splendid food for hogs and horses. Especially is it good for breeding hogs. Cattle fed on alfalfa took the first prizes at Chicago and St. Louis.

Mr. Coburn gave figures on the prices obtained for alfalfa. One field of ten acres in one season returned \$1,184. That was for the seed, straw and all. He closed by commending

particularly a booklet issued by Commissioner Vreeland on the subject of alfalfa.

Friday Afternoon.
Three lectures were given Friday afternoon. They were all interesting and highly instructive.

Prof. G. I. Christie, of Lafayette, Ind., spoke on "Seed Corn Selection," and gave his audience many new ideas. He said that the yield to the acre in Kentucky is too low for corn, and that the profits of the crop ran little over the cost of production. Our farmers should get seed corn adapted to their soils and as a means of ascertaining that fact, he suggested that each county have an experiment tract on which the different varieties grown in the county could be tested and the one best suited to that soil, found.

Prof. Christie had several charts to illustrate his talk. They were enlarged photographs of the whole ears of corn, of split ears of grains and growing stalks. As a means of finding the value of the seed, he said a few from an ear of corn could be germinated. That would show the quality of the bushel. He said a perfect ear of corn was nearly the same size at both ends, and that the grains in the middle of the ear would produce the largest and best ears. Seed corn should be shelled by hand and the few grains on the tip and butt should not be used. Before putting the seed in the planter the deep grains should be separated from the shallow grains, which would make the planter work better and the crop more uniform. In shelling the corn, it would be easy to separate the different size of grains.

Prof. W. L. Goss, of the Washington department, spoke next and had "Seed Adulteration" as his subject. Just as Professor Allen in the morning showed the dangers and fraud of adulteration in food stuffs so did Professor Goss show the dangers and frauds of seed adulteration. He said there were three kinds of adulteration used. They are, crushed quartz poor seeds are mixed with the good seed, and totally different seeds but which look alike, are mixed and sold for the pure article. He said we get enormous quantities from Europe and a large per centum of European seeds are adulterated with the worst kinds of weed seeds. Also that the stringent seed laws of Europe resulted in that country sending us the seed they cannot sell at home. The beautiful blue grass from which Kentucky is so famous, is adulterated largely and the customer cannot tell whether he is getting the pure article or not.

Truck Gardening.
Henry S. Berry, of Owensboro, Ky., delivered a lecture on "Truck Gardening" which it would have benefited every McCracken county farmer to have heard. He traced the history of truck gardening, and told of its modern proportions. The first point in truck gardening is earliness on the market with your stock. People will pay well for early vegetables. Wet soil is not good for truck raising. The richer the soil the faster vegetables will grow, and the faster they grow the more tender they are and the more palatable.

Potato growing has been revolutionized by the new second crop in the same season. This is done by planting the second crop from the seeds obtained from the first crop. The potatoes from the second crop are much better than the first crop. Attention should be paid to the market and each grower should specialize on those few vegetables, berries or fruits that his soil will best grow. He said that now the south feeds the north in the spring, and the north feeds the south in the fall.

BIG COMBINE

PACKING FIRMS SAID TO BE ABOUT TO AMALGAMATE.

Chicago Paper Says Sir Thomas Lipton Is Connected With Proposed Deal.

Chicago, Oct. 22.—The Evening Post today prints a story to the effect that a gigantic combination of packing industries in this country is under way. No person connected in any official capacity at any of the large Chicago packing houses could be found who would confirm the story.

The story is to the effect that the combination is to have an aggregate capital of \$500,000,000, and to be controlled from England. It is declared that the American interests are to dominate the consolidation and that it will include the following concerns in this city: Armour Packing company Swift & Co., Nelson-Morris & Co., National Packing company, Schwarzschild & Sulzberger, and the Cadahy Packing company.

According to the Post the prolonged stay of Sir Thomas Lipton in this country is connected with the alleged consolidation.

FALLS UNDER HORSE; KILLED.

Student at Vincennes University Meets Death in Ride.

Vincennes, Ind., Oct. 23.—While riding a spirited horse this afternoon, Clinton Hogue, 19 years old, a student of the Vincennes university, and son of John D. Hogue, was instantly killed. Hogue fell under the horse and his skull was crushed on a stone curb.

RUSSIAN CRISIS ONE OF FINANCE

This May Lead to Conferring of Unusual Powers and Freedom on the Body.

WITTE MAY BE CALLED BACK

St. Petersburg, Oct. 22.—An extension of the powers of the duma, granting it a decree of independence never dreamed of in Russia is made necessary by the financial crisis faced by the empire. This information comes on highest authority. The recall of Count Witte to power may also come, in the belief he is the only man who can avert the calamity impending over the country. Russia today is almost face to face with bankruptcy. Foreign nations will only agree to another loan on condition of its approval by the duma.

The Czar's Coup.

The government has thrown a bomb into the Radical camp in the form of an interpretation by the senate of doubtful points in the election laws, declaring that only actual resident house owners are eligible to be peasant electors at the coming elections. Persons of peasant origin, who are no longer residents of the villages are ineligible to vote. This will exclude the educated leaders of the peasant group, like Alladin, Aniklin and Zhilkin, who, under the old system, abolished by yesterday's ukase, were considered to be peasants, no matter how long they have been absent from the paternal village.

TUG BREAKS WHEN RIG IS ON TRACK

Horses Killed and Buggy Demolished By Illinois Central Fast Train.

HE IS FOUND UNCONSCIOUS.

With a "cannon ball" passenger train bearing down upon him at a mile a minute, and a broken trace preventing his progress, Henry Bailey, 29 years old, of Pryorsburg, a few miles south of Paducah, on the Illinois Central road performed a circus stunt and today is alive. He turned a somersault out of the back of his buggy and escaped being ground to death. His team of thoroughbred horses and buggy are things of the past, the horses being killed instantly and the buggy being reduced to kindling wood in the twinkling of an eye.

Bailey left home in Pryorsburg to drive to Wingo. He drove his spirited horses and while trying to cross the tracks of the Illinois Central they balked. He failed to hear the fast approaching train. It was No. 101, the fast Cincinnati-New Orleans flyer, with engine No. 1020, the biggest on the system. In charge of Engineer Joe McCann and Conductor Dugan. Bailey had little time to think. Bringing his whip down on the horses' backs he started them forward.

With a snap the trace broke and Bailey realized his desperate position. With a spring backwards he turned a somersault out of his buggy and landed in a heap beyond the tracks.

With a roar and a shower of cinders and dirt the flyer passed. McCann saw the train but too late to stop. His emergency brake tumbled passengers from their seats and the train was stopped within a remarkable short distance.

The horses were struck and instantly killed. The buggy was a heap of kindling wood. Bailey was semi-conscious and was taken to his home in Pryorsburg, where medical attention was secured. No bones were broken but he suffers from concussion in alighting on his head.

SNAKE DEN

MAY BE LOCATED UNDER CARBOOSE DEPARTMENT.

Eddie Brahie Kills Second One Which Crawled Up Through Hole in the Floor.

It is believed a den of water moccasin snakes is located under the floor of the caboose department of the Illinois Central railroad shops. Two have been killed there in a week. Eddie Brahie, assistant to C. E. Akers, who operates the air valve tester in the caboose department, stooped to pick up what he thought was a rubber imitation snake, but at the touch of his fingers the snake

wriggled away and tried to reach a hole in the floor. Mr. Brahie killed it.

Water is standing under the shops and this, it is thought, has produced a safe breeding place for water moccasins.

JEWELS MISSING.

Chicago Police Seek Clew to Murder of Actress.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—Every available Chicago detective was assigned today to the search for the diamonds stolen from the room of Mrs. Margaret Leslie, the actress, declared to have been murdered in the Palace Hotel. That the jewelry was worn by the woman when she went to her room is admitted by the police who have questioned a score of witnesses. Upon its discovery hinges their only hope of unraveling the mystery.

TAX BOOK SUPERVISORS

Will Meet Wednesday at City Hall to Hear Complaints.

The board of tax supervisors will meet Wednesday at the city hall. Mayor Yelzer recently appointed James Glauber to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late R. G. Caldwell. The board is now composed of Richard Holland, Eli G. Boone and James Glauber. There are several complaints of over-assessment to come before them.

DESSERTERS

Fired of Their Confinement at Jefferson Barracks.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 23.—Charles W. Walter, of troop A, Thirteenth cavalry, and Private John W. Taylor, of the Twenty-second Infantry, serving terms at Jefferson Barracks for desertion, today overpowered the guard and after securing his arms and money, forced him to accompany them to a point near St. Louis, where they boarded a car for the city.

COUNTERFEITER CONVICTED.

Capt. Boynton Given a Six-Months' Sentence.

New York, Oct. 23.—Capt. Geo. Boynton pleaded guilty today in the United States circuit court to the charge of being a party to a plan for counterfeiting silver coins of Venezuela for the purpose of financing a revolution in that country. He was sentenced to six months in the Kings county penitentiary.

STRUCK FLOATING MINE.

Russian Coasting Steamer Founders 180 Persons Drowning.

London, Oct. 23.—A dispatch received from Vladivostok by Lloyd's agency, says the Russian wooden coasting steamer Warjagis struck a floating mine and foundered on October 20. Some of her passengers and crew were saved, but 180 persons were drowned.

Mapleton, Ia., Oct. 23.—A Court was held on a Northwestern train at Mapleton today and Claude Fischer, accused of assaulting Miss Minnie Baker, was bound over in \$2,000 bonds and taken to jail at Osawa. The authorities feared that an attempt might be made to lynch Fischer were he tried in town.

DEPOSITS

TO FACILITATE GOLD IMPORTATION ARE STOPPED.

National Bank Circulation Stimulated to Extent of Eighteen Million Dollars.

New York, Oct. 23.—Secretary Shaw authorizes the announcement today that deposits to facilitate gold importations will be discontinued. Secretary Shaw also announced that he would stimulate national bank circulation to the extent of \$18,000,000 by accepting approved securities and government bonds for deposits already made.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Acting Secretary Keop, of the treasury department, announced today applications here for the increase in national bank circulation under Secretary Shaw's \$18,000,000 offer will be acted favorably upon in order in which received.

WIFE SUICIDE, SEEKS DEATH

Husband Tries to End Life When Young Spouse Takes Poison.

Evansville, Ind., Oct. 23.—Mrs. May Brenner, aged 20, while seated beside her baby's crib took corrosive sublimate today and died. Her husband was so overcome by grief that he tried to kill himself and it required three men to overpower him.

Car Overturns.

Schenectady, N. Y., Oct. 23.—A crowded car on the Troy division of the Schenectady line, failed to take a switch today and jumped the track, overturning and more than a dozen passengers were injured, several seriously.

WAGON AND SURREY COLLIDE IN STREET

Horse Became Unmanageable and Deliveryman Could Not Avoid Accident.

OTHER OCCUPANTS UNINJURED

Mrs. J. H. Oberhausen, of 521 South Nineteenth street, was seriously injured at Eleventh and Jefferson streets at 7 o'clock this morning by being thrown from her surrey, the result of a collision with a delivery wagon of C. F. Schrader, grocer, in charge of "Boss" Bradley, colored. There were five other persons in the surrey, but they kept their seats and escaped injury.

Mrs. Oberhausen was accompanied by Mrs. C. W. Wooldridge and Mrs. Catherine Oberhausen, her mother-in-law, and Eddie, Effie and Annie Oberhausen, her children. They were coming in to church, and a train passed as they neared the corner. Mrs. Oberhausen was inspecting the debris of a wrecked wagon and her horse reared while she was unaware of the train's approach.

The animal became unruly. It ran from one side of the street to the other, so state spectators, and Bradley, driving the Schrader horse, was going west on Jefferson. He tried to get out of the way, he states, but was unsuccessful. Bradley alleges that the Oberhausen horse ran into his.

The front wheel of the delivery wagon met that of the surrey and the surrey was partly thrown over. Mrs. Oberhausen was unable to keep her seat and with a scream let go.

She alighted on the street, her head striking with force sufficient to render her unconscious. She was picked up, carried into the residence of Mr. J. K. Greer, 1012 Jefferson street and Dr. B. B. Griffith was summoned.

The physician found her suffering from several bruises about the body and concussion of the brain. She suffered no broken bones. When she recovered sufficiently to be removed, her husband, an attaché of the Illinois Central, took her home.

The buggy was but slightly damaged, the shafts being broken. The wheel of the grocery wagon locked with the surrey front wheels. But for this Mrs. Oberhausen might have been able to retain her seat.

KIND PEOPLE

Furnish Waf with Clothes and Police Take Interest.

Harry Miller, yesterday a street gamin, is today a gentleman as far as the clothes go. He is furnished from head to foot and looks different from the boy who yesterday sat on the bench in police court waiting for the authorities to decide what to do with him. The boy came here with an itinerant preacher who was sent out of town. He had been living from "hand to mouth" and Chief Collins took him in charge. Patrolmen Terrell and Brennan were the patrons of the boy and B. Weille and the Grand Leader gave clothes, cap and stockings, underwear and several outer garments. The police are trying to find the boy a home. He is a willing worker and honest.

GIFT OF TONGUE.

Dowie Converts Speak in all Kinds of Languages.

Chicago, Oct. 20.—A "gift of tongues," or the sudden and apparently miraculous ability to talk in a language before unknown to the worshipper, is the latest phase of the Parham apostolic movement at Zion City. No less than 24 converts are said to have had the "experience." Last night at a largely attended meeting Hubert Grant, formerly stenographer for Dowie, was giving "testimony" before the people when he stopped, a pallor swept across his face and he commenced to talk in a strange language. Grant had barely taken his seat when another convert, James Lang, arose and talked in Chinese.

MRS. MEYERS

Is Saved From the Gallows for a Few Months.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 20.—Justice Brewer, of the supreme court of the United States today declined to either issue or deny the application for a writ of error, presented by the woman's attorneys in the case of Mrs. Aggie Meyers, who is under sentence of death on a charge of murdering her husband in Kansas City. Brewer said it would be necessary to have a more complete record of the case before passing upon it. This decision will have the effect of giving the woman a respite of at least two or three months. She was to have been hanged on the 26th instant.

New York Central Fined.

New York, Oct. 20.—Fines, aggregating \$108,000, on six counts, were imposed today upon the New York Central and Hudson River railroad by Judge Holt in the United States district court on the charge of granting rebates to the American Sugar Refining company.



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RED MEN'S MEMORIAL.

Committee Appointed to Arrange for October 28.

The Red Men will hold memorial services on Sunday, October 28, in the afternoon at the Broadway Methodist church. The following committee was appointed to arrange a program: Henry Weimar, L. L. Bebout, Bob Richardson and Clarence Householder. The program will be interspersed with music. The best speakers in the city will be secured.

Fell Down Shaft.

Chicago, Oct. 20.—Charles Stevenson, a lawyer, was found dead this morning at the foot of an elevator shaft at 92 Washington street. He was killed by a fall through an open door.

FIND LOST GIRL IN WOLF'S DEN.

Child Unharmed After Two Days' Absence—Plays With "Doggies."

Menominee, Mich., Oct. 20.—After being lost for two days, a 4-year-old Margaret Schweitzer, daughter of a wealthy farmer, was found unharmed in a wolf's den playing with a litter of wolf pups. She seemed perfectly contented. The child scolded her rescuers for scaring away the nice little "doggies" with which she had been playing. She said that she had not been cold or hungry, as she had picked up some nuts.

Renew Sinking Fund Notes.

Mayor Yelzer and City Auditor Kirkland today renewed the sinking fund notes at 4 per cent. interest. The fund amounts to \$24,036.